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To reduce the dependence of the United States on foreign oil, and for
other purposes.

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Mr. BAYH (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. SALAZAR,
Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. DURBIN,
and Ms. COLLINS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and
referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

To reduce the dependence of the United States on foreign
oil, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Oil Savings Act of
5 2008”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that—

1 (1) the United States imports more oil from the
2 Middle East today than before the attacks on the
3 United States on September 11, 2001;

4 (2) the United States remains the most oil-de-
5 pendent industrialized nation in the world, con-
6 suming approximately 25 percent of the oil supply of
7 the world;

8 (3) the ongoing dependence of the United
9 States on foreign oil is one of the greatest threats
10 to the national security and economy of the United
11 States; and

12 (4) the United States needs to take trans-
13 formative steps to wean itself from its addiction to
14 oil.

15 **SEC. 3. POLICY ON REDUCING OIL DEPENDENCE.**

16 It is the policy of the United States to reduce the
17 dependence of the United States on oil, and thereby—

18 (1) alleviate the strategic dependence of the
19 United States on oil-producing countries;

20 (2) reduce the economic vulnerability of the
21 United States; and

22 (3) reduce the greenhouse gas emissions associ-
23 ated with oil use.

1 **SEC. 4. OIL SAVINGS PLAN.**

2 (a) INITIAL OIL SAVINGS TARGET AND ACTION
3 PLAN.—Not later than 270 days after the date of enact-
4 ment of this Act, an interagency task force composed of
5 the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of Transportation,
6 the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Agriculture, the
7 Secretary of the Treasury, the Administrator of the Envi-
8 ronmental Protection Agency, and the head of any other
9 agency the President determines appropriate (referred to
10 in this section as the “Interagency Task Force”) shall
11 publish in the Federal Register an action plan consisting
12 of—

13 (1) a draft list of proposals for agency action
14 that will be sufficient, when taken together, to save
15 from the baseline determined under subsection (d)—

16 (A) 2,500,000 barrels of oil per day on av-
17 erage during calendar year 2016;

18 (B) 7,000,000 barrels of oil per day on av-
19 erage during calendar year 2026; and

20 (C) 10,000,000 barrels per day on average
21 during calendar year 2030; and

22 (2) a Federal Government-wide analysis dem-
23 onstrating—

24 (A) the expected oil savings from the base-
25 line to be accomplished by—

1 (i) chapter 329 of title 49, United
 2 States Code (including regulations promul-
 3 gated to carry out that chapter); and

4 (ii) section 211(o) of the Clean Air
 5 Act (42 U.S.C. 7545(o)) (including regula-
 6 tions promulgated to carry out section
 7 211(o) of that Act); and

8 (B) that the proposals described in para-
 9 graph (1), taken together with expected oil sav-
 10 ings described in subparagraph (A), will achieve
 11 the oil savings specified in this subsection.

12 (b) REVIEW AND UPDATE OF ACTION PLAN.—

13 (1) REVIEW.—Not later than January 1, 2011,
 14 and every 3 years thereafter, the Interagency Task
 15 Force shall submit to Congress, and publish, a re-
 16 port that—

17 (A) evaluates the progress achieved in im-
 18 plementing the oil savings targets established
 19 under subsection (a);

20 (B) analyzes the expected oil savings under
 21 the action plan established under that sub-
 22 section; and

23 (C)(i) analyzes the potential to achieve oil
 24 savings that are in addition to the oil savings
 25 goals under that subsection; and

1 (ii) if the President determines that it is in
2 the national interest, requires an analysis under
3 that subsection for a higher oil savings goal for
4 calendar year 2017 or any subsequent calendar
5 year.

6 (2) INSUFFICIENT OIL SAVINGS.—If the oil sav-
7 ings are less than the targets described in subsection
8 (a), simultaneously with the report required under
9 paragraph (1), the Interagency Task Force shall
10 publish a revised action plan that is sufficient to
11 achieve the targets.

12 (c) PUBLIC COMMENT AND FINAL PROPOSALS.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—After a 30-day period for
14 public comment on the publications under subsection
15 (a) and (b), the Interagency Task Force shall, not
16 later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this
17 Act, issue a final list of proposals to meet the re-
18 quirements of this section.

19 (2) ADDITIONAL LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY.—

20 The proposals shall include a request to Congress
21 for any additional legislative authority necessary to
22 implement the proposals.

23 (d) BASELINE AND ANALYSIS REQUIREMENTS.—In
24 performing the analyses required for the action plan to
25 achieve the oil savings described in subsection (a), the Sec-

1 retary of Energy, the Secretary of Transportation, the
2 Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Agriculture, the
3 Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency,
4 and the head of any other agency the President determines
5 to be appropriate shall—

6 (1) determine oil savings as the projected re-
7 duction in oil consumption from the baseline estab-
8 lished by the reference case contained in the report
9 of the Energy Information Administration entitled
10 “Annual Energy Outlook 2008”;

11 (2) determine the oil savings projections re-
12 quired on an annual basis for each of calendar years
13 2009 through 2030; and

14 (3) account for any overlap among implementa-
15 tion actions to ensure that the projected oil savings
16 from all the implementation actions, taken together,
17 are as accurate as practicable.

18 (e) RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAWS.—Nothing in
19 this section affects the authority provided or responsibility
20 delegated under any other law.

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